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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH ROUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the "Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures" mailed 05/01/01, Applicants submit herewith copies of the Sequence Listing in paper and computer readable forms in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) and (e). A copy of the Notice accompanies this submission.

The Notice indicates that the Sequence Listing does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.822 or 1.823 because Sequence ID NO: 9, 10, and 11 contain the invalid symbol "i" for inosine. Although inosine is commonly abbreviated with "I", 37 CFR 1.822 or 1.823 require that inosine be denoted with an "n" and that n be defined in <220>-<223> of the Sequence Listing. Applicants have amended the Sequence Listing consistent with this requirement.

I hereby state that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written Sequence Listing. The submission includes no new matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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